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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are being submitted for consideration by the Examiner without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art, or without any admission that they contains subject matter that anticipates the invention or renders the invention obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Further, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e), the undersigned hereby certifies that each listed reference was first cited in a Communication (copy and English translation enclosed) from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement. The Examiner should note that U.S. Patent No. 5,961,713 cited in the Communication has been disclosed in the previously-filed Information Disclosure Statement concurrently filed with the application on November 20, 2003.

Although no fees are believed to be due at this time, it is respectfully requested that any such fees be charged to Deposit Account 50-1147. Also, the Examiner is requested to initial the attached PTO Form-1449 and to return a copy of same to the undersigned attorney as proof that the listed references have been considered and made of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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OTHER REFERENCES (including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

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